

- 21. (Amended) A surface-traversing vehicle according to Claim 20[, characterized in that] wherein the bodies are coupled together in pairs, the [two] coupled bodies in each pair being at a fixed distance apart.
- 22. (Amended) A surface-traversing vehicle according to <u>Claim 1</u>[ any of the preceding claims, characterized in that it comprises], the vehicle further comprising a control means to effect automatically the relative movement of the bodies.
- 23. (Amended) A surface-traversing vehicle according to <u>Claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims, characterized in that it] <u>wherein the vehicle</u> is operated from a remote position via an umbilical line towed by a similar towing vehicle.

## REMARKS

Clams 1 - 23 are amended herein. No new matter is introduced by any of the amendments, and entry thereof is respectfully requested. Claims 1 - 23 are now in the application. Examination of the application, as amended, is requested.



Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this matter, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone applicants' representative, undersigned, and the number set out below.

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